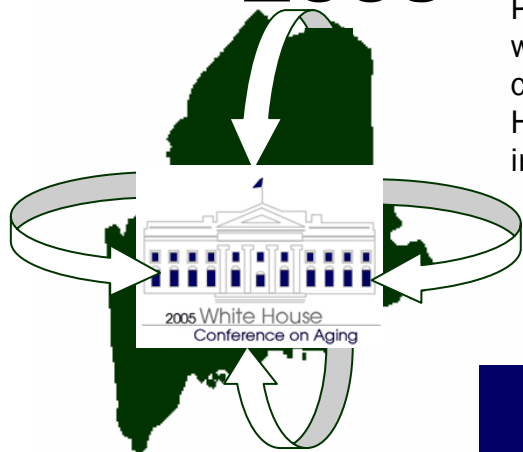


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At the Crossroads: Aging Policy in Maine

A Prelude to the White House Conference on Aging

**The Boomers are coming! Are you ready?
What does it mean for Maine?**

The Maine Gerontological Society is proud to offer a unique educational and policy development opportunity for those who want to play an active role in shaping aging policy and services in the years to come.

Please join us "At the Crossroads: Aging Policy in Maine" which will highlight the needs, desires and aspirations of Maine's aging citizens, now and in the future. As an officially designated White House Conference on Aging event, the two-day program will culminate in written recommendations on the most crucial aging issues.

**February 2nd & 3rd, 2005
Wednesday--Thursday
Sheraton Hotel, South Portland, Maine**

**Registration Brochure and Preliminary Schedule
Pre-registration Deadline: January 24, 2005**

Who Should Attend the Conference?

These conference offerings are designed to educate and inform: administrators, clinicians, practitioners, opinion leaders, policy makers, legislators, educators and older persons.

Continuing Education Credits

Applications have been made for the following:

- Category I CME
- ANA-Maine
- Nursing Home Administrator
- Social Worker

Certificates of attendance issuing continuing education credits will be available at the conclusion of the day.

MCD is accredited by Maine Medical Association's Committee on Continuing Medical Education and Accreditation (CCMEA) as a provider for Continuing Medical Education for Physicians.

The October 2005 White House Conference on Aging (WHCOA) will consider the needs of aging Americans in the 21st century. "At the Crossroads" will address our commitment to provide services to the current generation of older persons and the implications for the nation and Maine as baby boomers begin to reach retirement age in 2006.

At-a-Glance Conference Schedule

Wednesday, February 2:

8:00-9:00am	Registration— <i>Coffee Break</i>
9:00-9:30am	Welcome: Governor John Baldacci (<i>invited</i>)
9:30-10:45am	<i>Panel Discussion:</i> Aging Policy: What's Hot, What's Not <i>Moderator: Chris Gianopoulos, MPA, Director, Maine Bureau of Elder and Adult Services; Panel Members: Jud Dolphin, Exec. Director, AARP Maine, Robert Mollica, EdD, Senior Program Director, National Academy for State Health Policy, and, Galen Rose, Acting State Economist, Maine State Planning Office</i>
11:00-12:15pm	Workshops (5 Concurrent)
12:30-1:45pm	<i>Luncheon Speaker:</i> <i>DHHS Commissioner</i> John R. Nicholas
2:00-3:15pm	Workshops (5 concurrent)
3:30-4:15pm	Open MGS Business Meeting
4:30-5:30pm	Reception— <i>Wine and Cheese</i>

Thursday, February 3:

8:00-9:00am	Registration— <i>Continental Breakfast</i>
8:45-9:00am	Welcome
9:00-10:15am	Workshops (6 Concurrent)
10:30-11:30am	<i>Speaker:</i> Themes of the White House Conference on Aging Robert B. Blancato , Member, Policy Committee, 2005 White House Conference on Aging
11:45-12:45pm	<i>Luncheon Speakers:</i> How to Talk the Language of Policy Effectively with Your Legislators— Mary Cathcart , Senior Policy Fellow, Margaret Chase Smith Center for Public Policy, University of Maine; and, Strategies for Developing Policy Recommendations in a Group— Kathryn Hunt , Research Associate, Margaret Chase Smith Center for Public Policy, University of Maine
1:00-2:00pm	Recommendations for the Blaine House and White House Conference on Aging—Interest Group Sessions (5 concurrent)
2:00-2:45pm	Review of Recommendations
2:45-3:00pm	Wrap-up

At the Crossroads: Aging Policy in Maine

February 2 - 3, 2005

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM

REGISTRATION FEE

February 2-3, 2005 \$125 (2 days)

(Discounts for students/older persons by request)

Name (include degrees) _____
(as it should appear on certificate)

Job Title _____

Organization _____

Work Address _____

Phone Work _____ Home _____

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E-mail _____

☐ I request assistance or special accommodations to participate.

To Register

Promptly mail form with payment to:

MCD Meeting Services
11 Parkwood Drive, Augusta, ME 04330

Registration Questions

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Registration fee includes tuition, meals, and materials.

Registrations are processed upon receipt of payment. **To verify your registration was received, please call Sue-Ann Sanford at 622-7566 x232.**

Pre-registration with payment is required by January 24.
Walk-ins are welcome on a space-available basis only.

Substitution/Cancellation/Refunds

Substitution may be made without additional charge. Please call Sue-Ann at (207) 622-7566 x232 to notify us of the change in person attending. **Cancellation** after January 28 will receive a refund of 50% of the amount paid. "No shows" are subject to the full fee. If the conference is cancelled due to foul weather, the conference planners will be glad to refund your registration fee or apply it to the rescheduled conference.

WORKSHOP SELECTIONS

I will attend the following sessions:

Wednesday, February 2, 2005
11:00am-12:15pm

- ☐ 1-A **How to be an Advocate**, Brenda Gallant, RN, Executive Director, and Catherine A. Valcourt, Esq, Legal Counsel, Maine Long-term Care Ombudsman Program
- ☐ 1-B **Current Issues in Maine Housing Policy**, Robert Mollica, EdD, Senior Program Director, National Academy for State Health Policy
- ☐ 1-C **The Age of Discovery: How Learning Enriches the Lives of Older Adults**, Kali Lightfoot, Director, OLLI, and E. Michael Brady, PhD, Professor, USM Department of Human Resource Development
- ☐ 1-D **Paying for Long-term Care Insurance: Policy & Practice Implications**, Todd Grove, Executive Director, LTC Financial Partners
- ☐ 1-E **An Introduction to Maine/Federal Aging Organizations**, Mary Walsh, MEd, Manager of Community Programs, Bureau of Elder and Adult Services

2:00-3:15pm

- ☐ 2-A **Elder Abuse: A Policy Response**, Rick Mooers, LSW, Protective Program Administrator, Maine DHHS and Rebecca Henry, Esq, Director, Elder Justice Project, Legal Services for the Elderly
- ☐ 2-B **Self-determination: Implementing a Strengths-based Approach**, Lesa Andreassen, MS, MA, President, BLF, Inc., Freeport, Maine
- ☐ 2-C **TRIAD: A Strategy and a Resource**, Betsy Cantrell, Communications Team Leader, AARP Maine, and A. Ricker Hamilton, MSW, LMSW, Protective Program Administrator, Maine DHHS
- ☐ 2-D **Aging and Disability Network Resource Committee(s) Panel**, Gail Bienvenuta, MA, Project Coordinator, Muskie School, USM
- ☐ 2-E **Exploring Options for Keeping Social Security Solvent: An Interactive Workshop**, Jud Dolphin, Executive Director, AARP Maine

Thursday, February 3, 2005
9:00-10:15am

- ☐ 3-A **The Ethics of Policy: Who Decides, and How?**, Reuben P. Bell, DO, MS, MDiv, Associate Professor, UNE College of Osteopathic Medicine, and Darby I. Northway, MHA, MLA, Admin. Director, Div. of Aging and MatureCare, UNE Col. of Osteopathic Medicine
- ☐ 3-B **Medicare Prescription Drug Policy: Lessons for Access and Better Care for Those with Neither**, Stevan Gressitt, MD, Medical Director, Northeast Occupational Exchange, and Ed Pontius, MD, Chair, Gov. and Leg. Affairs, Maine Psychiatric Association
- ☐ 3-C **Best Practices in Transportation: Effective and Replicable Now and in the Future**, Speaker TBA
- ☐ 3-D **Monitoring Medication Administered in the Home**, Lisa Harvey-McPherson, RN, MBA, MPPM, Director, Health Policy & Cont. Care, Eastern Maine Healthcare
- ☐ 3-E **Maine's Direct Service Workers: New Initiatives and Policy Issues**, Lisa Pohlman, MA, Associate Director, Maine Center for Economic Policy
- ☐ 3-F **Community Collaboration to Improve Systems for Older People**, Elise J. Bolda, PhD, National Program Director, Community Partnerships for Older Adults, Muskie School, USM and Paul Saucier, MA, Senior Policy Analyst, Institute for Health Policy, USM

Workshop Updates and Conference Registration can be accessed at: <http://www.mcd.org/domestic/training.htm>

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Sheraton Hotel Reservations/Location

Participants are responsible for making their overnight reservations. A block of rooms is reserved for conference attendees at a reduced rate: single/double \$79.00 (includes tax) per night. **The cutoff date for the reduced rate is January 10.** Call (207) 775-6161 and mention you are attending the Aging Policy in Maine Conference to receive the reduced rate. Driving directions to the hotel:

From North

Take Interstate 95 (Maine Turnpike) South to Exit 45 (formerly Exit 7). Immediately after the toll booth take the Maine Mall Road Exit. Follow Maine Mall Road for 1/4 of a mile and the hotel will be on the left.

From South

Take Interstate 95 (Maine Turnpike) North and take Exit 45 (formerly Exit 7). Immediately after the toll booth take the Maine Mall Road Exit. Follow Maine Mall Road for 1/4 of a mile and the hotel will be on the left.

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